

REPORT OF MEDICATION BRIDGE

The Medication Bridge Program was initiated in Wolfeboro, NH, in January of 2001. The program is staffed by volunteers and remains an all-volunteer program. We operate under the umbrella of the Foundation for Healthy Communities, which is based in Concord, NH. Of the 40 plus programs in the state, Medication Bridge is one of the two programs in the State of New Hampshire that is staffed totally by volunteers.

The program currently has four volunteers because the workload has been substantially reduced due to the enrollment of so many patients in Medicare D insurance plans. Overall, an average of 30 volunteer hours each week is now being contributed to the program.

We ask for assistance from those towns whose residents receive at least 5% of the total value of medications received during the preceding fiscal year (July 1 through June 30).

During the July 1, 2005 through the June 30, 2006 time period, we served 29 residents from Alton, and residents from Alton received 314 medications valued at \$93,704. The cost to the patient was basically \$0.

The total budget for next year has been reduced from \$5,326 to \$3,707. Based upon the value of the medications received by the Alton residents whom we served this past year, Alton's share is 8.47%.

The M/S Mt. Washington Departing Alton Bay

